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1. claims: 1-4, 12, 15-19, 26-28, 30, 31

Joint detection and estimation of two superposed data streams

2. claims: 5-7

Enabling further processing or refinement of a frequency domain channel estimate in the time-domain

3. claim: 8

Enabling further processing or refinement of a time-domain channel estimate in the frequency domain

4. claims: 9-11

Iterative channel estimation in a multicarrier communication system  $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right)$ 

5. claims: 13-14, 29, 32-34

Iterative channel estimation based on remodulated symbols

6. claims: 20-22

Refinement of frequency-domain channel estimates

7. claims: 23-25

Pilot-based channel estimation in an multicarrier communication sytem  $\,$ 

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